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HYBRID FIBER/COAX NETWORK

AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated April 1, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 15 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 16 of this paper.

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